1120 Stakeholders

As discussed on the conference call yesterday, January 28, 2004, we have identified a few XML schema changes that need to be put in place prior to our launch date. We are including those changes in the posting today. Please not that these have not been loaded into our systems, so do not submit any test case scenarios using this version until we notify you.

XML Schemas

We are presenting you today with a new version of the Tax Year 2003 XML schemas for Modernized e-File Release 1 forms and schedules for 1120/1120S. The schemas are version 6.0 (2003V06) and can be found on the irs.gov website under Production Release at http://www.irs.gov/taxpros/providers/article/0.,id=97626,00.html.

The following schemas have changes that you need to be aware of. The only change on the remaining schemas is to version 6: e-file message; Return 1120; Return 1120S, Form 5471; Form 8609; Itemized Other Deductions Schedule 2; Other Income Form 5471 Statement; and Section 168f1 Property Explanation Statement. Please continue to use the January 9, 2004 version on the web for ATS until further notice. Also included are "Diff Files" that show the changes from the January 9, 2004 posting.

Business Rules

Business Rules for Release 1 forms for version 6.0 (2003V06) are also being posted today in two different formats – a MS Word file and a comma separated file (.csv) that contains the very same information. We have added a column that identifies the changes made from the last posted version (version 5.0) to help you identify the changes that were made. No "Alerts" are in this file. The business rules are posted under Other Documents at http://www.irs.gov/taxpros/providers/article/0,.id=97626,00.html.

Each rule file is assigned the same version number that is assigned to the schemas to which the rules apply. The current schemas and rules files are assigned version number 2003 Version 6 (2003V06).

As always if you have any questions or comments, please contact us through the Topica group or the ETA 1120 Team at 1120@irs.gov. You can also contact Xan Ostro from our ITS team at (202) 283-7697 or Joan Barr from the ETA team at (202) 283-2572.